



ZION'S ROAR

MINISTRIES

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יְהוָה מִצִּיּוֹן יִשָּׁאֵן וּמִירוּשָׁלַם יִתֵּן מוֹלֹךְ וּרְעֵשׂוּ שָׁמַיִם וָאָרֶץ וַיְהוּה מַחֲסֵה לְעַמּוֹ וּמַעֲזוֹ
THE LORD ALSO SHALL ROAR OUT OF ZION, AND UTTER HIS VOICE FROM JERUSALEM;
AND THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH SHALL SHAKE: BUT THE LORD WILL BE
THE HOPE OF HIS PEOPLE, AND THE STRENGTH OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Chief Rick Wagnon, MSM, CFE, PIR has served in law enforcement, executive/dignitary protection, terrorism preparedness and disaster response since June 1987. He has held ranks from Patrolman to Police Chief; served as Staff Instructor and Academy Coordinator for two state police academies; and as the Training Coordinator and Intelligence Officer for the state Terrorism Preparedness and Response Service. He holds Advanced Peace Officer and Advanced Instructor certification through the Oklahoma Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training; Police Chief and Command Staff certification through the Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police; and is a graduate of CLEET's 57th Criminal Investigations Academy; the National Insurance Crime Bureau's Special Investigations Academy, and is also a certified federal EEO Investigator. Rick is currently the Director of the Oklahoma Insurance Department's Anti-Fraud Unit and serves under the elected state Insurance Commissioner as Chief Investigator. He is a Certified Fraud Examiner and holds designation as a Professional in Insurance Regulation by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. He is also the Anti-Fraud Unit's designated Fusion Center Intelligence Liaison Officer and maintains membership and/or contact with various terrorism and financial crimes taskforces and working groups. The Anti-Fraud Unit holds state-wide law enforcement jurisdiction and is dedicated to the investigation of white-collar crimes committed within certain insurance financial sectors. Past cases have led to money laundering, organized crime, and even terrorist financing.

Rick also holds CLEET Advanced Instructor certification within specialty skill sets such as Defensive Tactics Instructor and Law Enforcement Drivers Training Instructor. He has held Instructor-Trainer certifications through various organizations, including the National Law Enforcement Training Center in various physical skills such as ground-fighting, knife-fighting, police batons, etc. He is a recognized Use of Force subject matter expert who has provided courtroom testimony and internal affairs consultation in that capacity. He holds many federally recognized credentials including US Department of Homeland Security Instructor/Trainer certifications in State/Local Anti-Terrorism Programs, Weapons of Mass Destruction, all levels of the Incident Command System, National Incident Management System, National Response Plan/Framework, Continuity of Operations Programs, Continuity of Government, and Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Programs. As a practitioner, he holds DHS certifications as an Intelligence Analyst, Intelligence Commander, a Threat and Risk Assessment provider, and has had training in Cyber Economic Warfare and numerous related topics.

Rick has also performed in a variety of previous state ICS Command & General Staff roles during emergency response and practical exercises. He has been designated as a Site Commander, Intelligence Officer, Federal/State Security Liaison Officer, Deputy Planning Chief, and Logistics Chief on various occasions. He was actively involved in the implementation of the federal Strategic National Stockpile program for the State of Oklahoma and conducted vulnerability and Threat and Risk Assessments for many confidential locations. He has held important positions on various Emergency Planning Committees at state and local levels and has been a sought-after terrorism exercise evaluator for multiple public and confidential operations of the state and in major metro areas. In addition to these responsibilities, he is certified as an Emergency Public Information Officer by the Oklahoma Office of Emergency Management.

Rick has attended numerous American and Israeli taught terrorism training courses and is certified in Active Shooter Response, Suicide Bombers, and many other high-risk tactical threats. He has used his professional skill sets in the service of various congregations, in both Jewish and Christian places of worship, by providing them Threat and Risk Assessments, consultations, and recommendations for implementing emergency protocols. He has also provided armed congregational security, as needed, when notified of specific potential threat elements.

A High School Valedictorian w/multiple honors, Rick later won first place in the Intercollegiate Academic Bowl, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Organizational Leadership (graduating w/cum laude honors), and was selected for the Distinguished Achievement Award. He next earned his Master of Science degree in Business Management, with a specialty focus on Strategic Planning and Human Resources. He graduated from state police academy with Academic honors, has won the Departmental Award, the Chief's Award, the Lifesaving Award, and the High Shooter Award, and has received numerous commendations from citizens, organizations, and other local and state government entities. He holds black-belt degrees in Tomiki-Ryu Shodokan Aikido, and honorary black-belt recognition in Jujitsu, as well.

Rick has and continues to serve as an Adjunct Professor for various universities including Oklahoma State University-OKC, the University of Central Oklahoma, and Southern Nazarene University. He teaches in both graduate and undergraduate degree programs for colleges of business, finance, and criminal justice. Likewise, he continues to serve as an Adjunct Instructor for police academies and law enforcement agencies. He is frequently retained as a conference and seminar speaker for both law enforcement and private financial industry-related organizations.